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House Bill 1606

By: Representative Dean of the 59th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to medical assistance generally, so as to set a minimum amount for the personal
- 3 needs allowance for Medicaid beneficiaries of nursing homes; to provide for related matters;
- 4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 8 medical assistance generally, is amended by adding a new Code Section 49-4-158 to read as
- 9 follows:
- 10 "49-4-158.
- 11 The director of the Division of Medical Assistance of the department shall permit through
- 12 rules and regulations each medical assistance recipient approved for nursing home
- payments to retain from his or her monthly income a minimum amount of \$45.00 a month
- for his or her personal needs allowance."

SECTION 2.

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.